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AND, PETERSBURG INTELLIGENCER.**

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CHARLESTON, April 12.

The schooner *Harrist*, belonging to Miller and Robertson, has arrived in the Roads, from the Coast, with Negroes.

In the *Patriote Francais*, of yesterday, there is a paragraph which says that the French Consul, in this city, in pursuance of instructions he has received from the Minister of the Marine of France, by way of Philadelphia, has closed the Consulate, as far as it respects those Frenchmen who have taken refuge on this continent since the year 1789. On these instructions, the writer of the paragraph remarks: "The minister, Truguet, has placed the Frenchmen, now on this continent, in three classes; the distinctions he makes, in consequence of this classing, are purely illusory, since it results from them that there is no Frenchman on the continent who does not find himself in one of the classes and subject to the laws passed against emigrants, though he is not an emigrant. After this, and in the doubtful situation in which Frenchmen now on the continent will find themselves, in case a rupture takes place between America and France, does it not become necessary for them to assemble, and, after requesting the consul to show them the official dispatches he has received, to come to a determination, which at a proper time and place may justify their sentiments, that the violation exercised against them in these instructions, and prove that they have never ceased, and never will cease, to be Frenchmen?"

April 13.

On the evening before the last, an officer of the revenue having discovered that a small sloop, lying at one of the wharves of this city, had taken on board a quantity of powder and arms, he gave information, and a seizure was made; soon after it was made, a report was spread, and information was given to the commanding officer of the militia, that this powder, and the arms, were intended to be put on board the French brig *Eliza*, commanded by Capt. Carvine, which is now ready for sea. In consequence of this information, an order was issued for a party of militia to take possession of the sloop. Before the party arrived some persons had removed part of the powder to a large vessel lying near; this movement confirmed the suspicions of those who had asserted it was intended for the brig *Eliza*, and it was generally understood that this would fully appear, when the enquiry was made.

We do not know that the enquiry has been made; but we are assured, from good authority, that whenever it is made, it will clearly appear, that no breach of the laws of the United States has in this instance been contemplated.

Twelve men of the crew of the *Grouper*, which were brought in here on Monday last, by Capt. Almy, were yesterday committed to gaol, by Judge Bee, on a charge of piracy.

April 17.

Yesterday morning the brigs *See Blume*, *Tegeler*, and *Regina Meyer*, anchored in Rebellion roads; each 6 weeks from Hamburg; the letters they bring are as late as the 3d of March, but they were not received at a late hour last evening. The captain knew nothing of Spain having declared war against the *Hanse Towns*.

The brig *Amsterdam*, Scott, in 45 days from Amsterdam, and the ship *Jupiter*, Mangles, from Bremen, took pilots on Saturday evening. Nothing had been received from them last evening.

On the arrival of the *Eliza*, captain Almy, on Monday last, from the *Hyvanna*, captain Cochran, having heard the report relative to the French schooner the *Grouper*, put to sea the next morning in the Revenue Cutter, and got into Bal's harbour on the same evening; he there found the schooner *Grouper* lying at anchor, with only three men on board, one

of whom was the second captain; having anchored close to her during the night, on the morning he went on board, repaired the damage she had sustained from the brig, and got her under weigh—the wind being to the southward, he conducted her to Georgetown, as being the nearest port of entry. Captain Cochran returned here on Saturday last.

RICHMOND, April 15.

MR. PRINTER,

Though the following was first printed in the *Boston Independent Chronicle*, I think it well worth reading—The evil complained of is so severely felt by many, even in this city—By giving it a place in your paper, you will oblige

NUMBERS.

In this time of great distress and grievous complaining among tradesmen, about dulness of trade, and uncommon scarcity of money, it would be extremely beneficent if the wealthy and monied men of all denominations, would call for their tradesmen's bills, and pay those sums which to them are trifling and inconsiderable, but to the poor industrious tradesman, the needy mechanic, and all men of narrow circumstances, are of great consequence; especially considering that in the course of trade and business, a little remains here, a little there, and many of these little collected together, would amount to such a sum as would set the needy man in a free and easy situation, enable him to pay his way, and so the money would circulate from hand to hand, until it soon reverted to the same benevolent hands that had kindly put it in motion. These little payments coming spontaneously from the great, would do the poor man infinite service, yet such may be his condition, that he dare not ask for one of these sums through fear of offending his rich employer, and through him many others connected with him by friendship and interest, consequently ruining his trade. Thus are many worthy men circumstanced at this day, on every side threatened with impending ruin; pressed hard by their creditors on the one side, afraid to demand their own on the other, and I fear very frequently repulsed by some of these wealthy customers, where they are hardy enough to solicit payments, with threats of feeling their keen resentments for presuming to dun them. Hard alternative! either to disoblige his customers or go to jail for them! perhaps both; endeavoring to call in his money to pay his just debts, he fails in his enterprise, incurs the displeasure of his customers, and at last goes to jail to oblige them!—Consider this, ye great! appropriate some small share of your money to pay your tradesmen's bills, you will thereby rejoice their desponding hearts, revive their drooping spirits, give them fresh life and vigour in their several occupations, and do a greater act of charity (if I may so term it) than if you was to subscribe large sums towards some pompous charitable institution. I have no doubt but many noble, generous spirits, will readily take this public hint in good part, and show their approbation by a ready compliance, and prompting one another to call for their bills and pay them with cheerfulness.

FOR SALE,

THE LONG STORE nearly

opposite Cedar-Point Warehouse, and at present occupied by Messrs. Swann and Ellis, Cabinet-makers. For terms, apply to

JOHN WILDER.

April 18, 1797.

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EDINBURGH, March 7.

We have seen a letter from London of last Saturday's date, which states, that in consequence of the great accession of strength lately acquired by opposition, an immediate change of ministry would take place. It mentions, as part of the new arrangements, the Duke of Bedford, first lord of the treasury, Mr. Grey, chancellor of the exchequer, and Mr. Fox, secretary for the foreign department. We think it proper to mention that this intelligence comes through a ministerial channel; our readers will therefore attach to it none of that credit which is due to respectable authority.

A letter from a considerable manufacturer at Maidstone, dated ad eundem, just handed to us, says, "We are all in strange consternation here; the fear of the French, and the stoppage of the bank, are too much at once. They are going to distribute paper money in this town; so we shall have a sad piece of work on Saturday night. I never felt so uncomfortable in my life, and heartily wish I was out of business. In this I speak the general feelings of my fellow-citizens."

A gentleman visiting Glasgow writes thence—Our fifteen hundred men come on very slowly here, none enlist, but through necessity or overbearing influence: the people at large spurn at the idea of any measure which has the appearance of supporting a system and a set of men who have brought ruin upon their country. Even the few men that are constrained to enrol, are known to be inimical to the whole of their system.

"If the truth were known, I believe this would be found to be the case over the whole country—they, however, contrive thus to produce a general show of numbers; and, for want of a proper communication of opinion, the country is deceived, and each district imagines itself singular in its detestation of the present men and measures."

LONDON, March 7.

The king of Naples, according to a letter from Italy of the 11th ult., was on the eve of concluding an offensive and defensive alliance with France, and of purchasing from that power some province of the papal territory, at the expense of eight millions of dollars, of a considerable quantity of corn, and by opening of his harbours to all French ships.

The republic of Venice is now become seriously apprehensive of danger from the French, and alarmed at the concessions of strong posts, which they are daily compelled to make. The important town of Udine was the last place extorted from them, by the manœuvres of General Massena.

On the 18th ult., the princess Augusta of Prussia, daughter to the king, was married to the hereditary prince of Hesse Cassel. On this occasion the father of that prince, the reigning landgrave of Hesse Cassel, was appointed by the king, field marshal general of the Prussian army.

The imperial edict, bearing date Petersburg, January 22, which allows French wines, Provence oil, olives, capers, anchovies and brandy, to be imported in neutral bottoms, contains the following remarkable clause:—"Lastly it is hereby enacted, that the edict of the 8th of April, 1793, which prohibits the importation of such French goods as are mere articles of luxury, and interdicts all communication and intercourse with the French, until a lawful government and order of things are established in France, shall be strictly observed."

NEW-YORK, April 18.

From the SUN, a London paper of the 7th March 1804, Two o'Clock, P. M.

The following postscript to a letter from Lisbon, received in town this day, has been communicated to us, and which we lose no time in laying before our readers, leaving them to form their own conclusion.

"Lisbon, Wednesday morning, 22d Feb.

"I take up my pen to mention a report which is circulating here, that Sir John Jervis, with 13 sail of the line, fell in again with the Spaniards on the 19th, having 20 sail of the line, and that after a most desperate battle, he beat them most completely, taking or destroying 8 sail of the line. If this turns out to be true it will be a glorious thing; but I must say I give no credit to it, and send it you merely as a report. It is, however, certain, that the Spaniards have not returned to Cadiz; but are waiting to protect their convoy from South America, which is hourly expected, and said to be worth eleven millions sterling."

[The above cannot be true. Accounts received at this port are to the 2d March, which say nothing about it.

Daily Advertiser.]

PHILADELPHIA, April 19.

Mr. Greenleaf, of New-York, printer of the *Argus*, has been tried before the circuit court of the United States, for a libel, of which he was pronounced guilty, and fined by the court (in which judge Ellsworth sat as supreme) seven hundred dollars!

Mr. Greenleaf, in his statement of the transaction which gave rise to the prosecution, says, that it was for the publication of a piece adverse from his own political principles, and in answer to one which had previously appeared in his paper, and published merely to support the character of an impartial printer.

Mr. G. consoles himself under the reflection, that the author of the piece, whom, according to custom, he refused to give up, possesses too much honour to see him suffer the pecuniary penalty which he has incurred.

The prosecutor, we understand, was Sir John Temple, the British Consul.

ALEXANDRIA, April 19.

Yesterday was run for in the Federal city, between Mr. Tayloe of Virginia, and Mr. Ridgely of Maryland, a match for 500 guineas a side. In consequence of the late heavy rains the race ground was very much injured—the mud in some places was nearly up to the horses' knees. The first heat Mr. Ridgely's horse tumbled down and threw his rider.—The second he was distanced.

PETERSBURG, April 28.

DELEGATES TO THE NEXT GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Prince Edward—Richard N. Venable, Charles Scott.

Fairfax—Roger West, Augustine J. Smith.

Loudoun—William Ellzey, Samuel Clapham.

Goochland—Thomas Miller, Smith Payne.

Powhatan—Archibald M'Rae, William Mosely.

Louisiana—William O. Callis, Samuel Terrell.

Hanover—Thomas Starke, John Thompson.

New-Kent—Joseph Foster, James Sample.

See SUPPLEMENT.

The Commonwealth of Virginia, to the Sheriff of Prince George county, greeting:

YOU are hereby commanded, as you have heretofore been commanded, that you command Cadwallader Jones, of your county, that he render unto John Hall one Messuage and ninety-six acres of land with the appurtenances, in the parish of Bristol, in the county aforesaid, be the same more or less; and known by the name of the Indian Field, and adjoining the lands formerly the property of John Lewis, John Camp, Instance Hall, James Murray, and a parcel of land belonging to William Hall, which the said John Hall claims to be his right of inheritance; and whereof he complains the said Cadwallader Jones keeps him out by force, and unless he does it, if the said John Hall shall make you secure of prosecuting his claim, then summon by good summoners, the said Cadwallader Jones, that he be before the justices of our county court, of Prince George, at the courthouse on the second Tuesday in May next, to shew cause why he hath not done it; and have then there the names of the summoners and this writ. Witness Peter Williams, clerk of our said court, the 25th day of April, 1797, in the 21st year of the commonwealth.

PETER WILLIAMS.

A Copy,

Teste,

PETER WILLIAMS, C. Cur.

(1p.)

ALL Persons indebted to the estate of William Bottom, deceased, of Amelia county, are requested to make immediate payment; otherwise suits will be indiscriminately brought against them—and those to whom the estate is indebted, will please make their claims known as soon as possible, properly attested, that provision may be made to discharge them.

JOHN BOTTOM, Executor.
Amelia, April 24, 1797. (2p.)

S A L E.

On Wednesday the 10th of next month, will be sold at Public Sale, at Hungry Town, in Lunenburg county, all the personal estate of PHILIP WHITEHEAD JACKSON, dec.

CONSISTING of a variety of valuable Dry Goods, Household and Kitchen Furniture, Negroes, Horses, Cattle, Sheep, &c. Six months credit will be given on all sums above five and below ten pounds; and on all sums above ten pounds until the first day of February next; on bond, with approved security, being given, bearing interest from the date if not punctually paid off. All persons having claims against the said estate, are requested to make them known to

THOMAS GORDON, Administrator.
April 21, 1797. (1f.)

F O R S A L E,

ATRACT of LAND in Greenville county, about five miles from Hicks's Ford, on the north side of Meherrin, containing 400 acres, more or less, whereon is a good dwelling house, with four rooms below stairs, three fire places, and other out-houses, a very good apple orchard, with 500 bearing trees, 400 bearing peach trees, and it is a very good stand for tavern or store. The terms will be made known by applying to the subscriber on the premises.

BENJAMIN SIMMONS.
April 27. (3p.)

F O R S A L E.

Pursuant to a decree of the High Court of Chancery, made the 1st day of June 1796, will be offered for sale on the premises;

ATRACT of Land on Coleman's creek, in the county of Halifax, containing 2675 acres, more or less, adjoining the lands of Mr. Roger Atkinson and others; being the land sold by Peter Rogers to Alexander Shaw, and by Shaw conveyed in trust to secure the payment of sundry debts specified in the said deed.

At the same time and place will be sold another TRACT of 256 acres, on the river Hyco, Orange county, North Carolina, formerly the property of James and Robert Bell, which likewise adjoins Mr. Atkinson's lands, and is included in the abovementioned deed of trust.

The sale will be on the 13th day of June next—a credit of six months will be allowed the purchasers, who must enter into bonds with good security for the purchase money—a good title will be made to the lands when the bonds are discharged.

Persons disposed to purchase, will no doubt satisfy themselves by viewing the lands before the day of sale—and further information may be had on application to Messrs Kennon Jones, or Richard Smith, of Dinwiddie; John Mason, of Lunenburg; or to

DUNCAN ROSE.
Peterburg, April 27, 1797. (5w)

Prince George, April 26, 1797.

THE Subscriber having a claim on the following property, in the possession of the late Joseph Lenox, of the town of Peterburg, at the time of his decease, viz one Negro Fellow named HAL or HENRY, by trade a Cooper; one Negro Woman named DINAH; and two Milch COWS.—All persons are therefore hereby forewarned from purchasing or having any thing to do with the said property, as it is exclusively vested in me by said Lenox to satisfy a sum of money he owes me.

(3) ALEXANDER DRAPER.

A QUANTITY OF EXCELLENT WELL CURED B A C O N,

For sale by the Subscriber, at the corner of Bollingbrook street.

WILLIAM SHARP.
Peterburg, April 27, 1797. (co 1f.)

THE following Hhd. Tobacco has been in High street Warehouse upwards of two years, which will be sold the 21st August next, at Dinwiddie court-house, being court day, unless it be previously claimed by the proprietor thereof. It was passed the 23d June, 1794, in the name of Dudley Gatewood. No. 2022—1260—142—1118 nett.

PEGRAM & WHITEHEAD.
April 27, 1797.

JUST ARRIVED,

In the Ship VIRGINIA, from Liverpool;

To PATRICK WHITE,

And which will be sold at

PUBLIC VENDUE,

On Wednesday the 3d May,

At the Importer's Store, in Bollingbrook street—The sale to commence

At 10 o'clock precisely,

A LARGE PARCEL OF

Irish Linens, Sheetings, & Cambricks,

Of every price and width usually Imported;

A L S O,

100 Casks NAILS, assorted.

Six months credit will be allowed—purchasers giving bond with approved security, to bear interest from the date if not punctually paid.

AFTER THE ABOVE,

The STORE and PREMISES;

occupied by said PATRICK WHITE,

will be offered for sale on the same terms,

WILLIAM HAXALL, V. M.

Peterburg, April 21, 1797. (4f)

Edward Jeffers,

HAVING declined business in the

Town of Peterburg, has removed his office to his house situated on the lower end of Bollingbrook street, a few doors below the Vendue Office. He earnestly wishes to adjust all accounts, as Executor of John Jeffers, deceased, and as surviving partner of John and Edward Jeffers. Intending to leave the state about six months hence, he gives this public notice, to those who have any just claims against said firm, &c. to apply for immediate payment, otherwise this notice shall be pled in bar—and those persons who cannot make it convenient to discharge their accounts immediately, are requested to give their bonds. Every possible indulgence will be given to those who amicably adjust their accounts.
Peterburg, October 31, 1796.

T A K E N U P,

BY the subscriber in Dinwiddie county, a Bay MARE, about 10 years of age, shod all round, about four feet nine or ten inches high, with a hanging mane and switch tail, and one hind foot white, paces, trots and gallops. Posted and appraised to 18l.

RICHARD GREGORY.
April 11, 1797. (co 3p.)

NOTICE.

THOSE who may be indebted

to the late concern of Dinwiddie, Crawford and Company, for dealings at their store in Blandford, under the management of David Russell; in Dinwiddie, of Robert Turnbull; in Brunswick, of Thomas Crawford; in Mecklenburg, of William Turnbull; and in Charlotte, of Robert Burton and William Duncan; and their store in Warren county, North Carolina, under William Duncan and William Cole; are desired to take notice, that in consequence of a decree of the Honorable the High Court of Chancery, the subscribers are now in possession of the books, bonds, and other specialties, belonging to the different stores in that concern, and are exclusively authorized to collect the debts.

The respective debtors are requested to make immediate payment to us, or either of us, and are prohibited from making payment on account of such debts to any other person, even although they altered the nature of such debts, by giving new bonds or other specialties in name of Robert Turnbull, or Robert Turnbull and Charles Duncan; or although any of the bonds may be assigned to any other person. In either of these cases, the debtors will please observe, that by the abovementioned decree, they are only safe in paying such debts to the subscribers, or to those they may hereafter appoint collectors, or to Capt. Thomas Vaughan of Mecklenburg, who, they continue collector of the debts due the store in Charlotte; and as those debts have been so long due, and as the above concern has been remarkable for granting indulgence, we hope the debtors will immediately come forward and make the best payments in their power, and grant new specialties for such part as they are at this time unable to pay, in which case a reasonable time will still be given, otherwise no longer can be expected. And the several lawyers, sheriffs, and other collectors in Virginia and North Carolina, who may be in possession of money, bonds, and other papers belonging to said company, (although in name of Robert Turnbull) are solicited to consider themselves as accountable to us only for the papers and their collections.

CHARLES DUNCAN,
COLIN CAMPBELL.

Petersburg, March 22, 1797.

NOTICE.

THOSE indebted to Duncan

and Turnbull, for dealings at their late store in Petersburg, under the management of William Cole, will please take notice, that in consequence of a decree of the Honorable the High Court of Chancery, the books, bonds, &c. of that concern, are now in the possession of the subscribers, who are exclusively authorized to collect the said debts.

The respective debtors are requested to make immediate payment to us, or either of us, and prohibited from making payment to any other person, although an assignment of any of the bonds may have been made to any other person; and as long indulgence has been given, the debtors are solicited without delay, to call on us and adjust their accounts; and when it appears they are unable to pay the whole, a moderate time will still be allowed for part. But those that neglect this friendly admonition, may expect to be prosecuted without respect of persons. And the several lawyers, sheriffs, or other collectors, who may be in possession of any money, papers, &c. belonging to the concern, are only accountable to us, and are requested to communicate the same to

CHARLES DUNCAN,
COLIN CAMPBELL.

Petersburg, March 22, 1797.

Subscribers who

are indebted to the Printer hereof, for more than one year's Newspapers, will oblige him, by discharging their accounts.

BLANK BONDS,
FOR SALE AT THIS OFFICE.

Petersburg Bridge Lottery.

Agreeably to an Act of the General Assembly, passed last session, for the purpose of BUILDING a BRIDGE, making a Causeway, and extending Bollingbrook Street to meet Blandford Street—the following SCHEME is proposed:

	Dollars.
1 Prize of 3000 Dollars	3000
1 ditto of 1000 ditto	1000
2 ditto of 500 ditto	1000
7 ditto of 100 ditto	700
12 ditto of 50 ditto	600
400 ditto of 10 ditto	4000
3 do. last drawn 500 ditto	1500
426 Prizes	11800
1074 Blanks	

1500 Tickets, at 10 Dollars, is 15000

Left for the purposes of the Scheme 3200

Tickets may be had at the Post Office, at either of the Vendue Offices, or any of the Commissioners.

It is intended to begin drawing at the Town Court-house on Thursday the first day of June, and to draw 500 Tickets each day until it is finished. The Prizes will be paid to soon as the drawing is finished, upon application to ROBERT MOORE. Those Prizes which are not applied for within six months after the drawing is finished, will be considered as relinquished for the benefit of the Scheme. CHRISTOPHER M'CONNICO,

JAMES CAMPBELL,
ROBERT BOLLING,
ROBERT MOORE,
EDWARD JEFFERS,
JAMES CURETON,
GEORGE K. TAYLOR,
PETERSON GOODWYN,
ALEXANDER M'RAE,

Commissioners

Petersburg, March 18, 1797.

WHEREAS, in or about Octo-

ber seventeen hundred and eighty-nine, departed this life, Mrs. Mary Wynn, of Greenville county; and having in her possession a parcel of negroes, which the said Mary gave to her two sons by will, John and Robert Powell, on certain conditions; since then, there has been a claim set up by a certain Capt. Manson of York county, for those negroes; and since that period of time, there has been a second claim set up by a certain Michael Malone, of Suffolk county, for the abovementioned negroes; but so it is, that neither of those claimants have as yet established their claims. We have now taken this opportunity by the Richmond and Petersburg papers, to inform all those claimants, or their survivors, that if they do not come forward by the 25th December next, and establish their claim, that we shall consider ourselves clear of the incumbrance, and make a division of the said negroes among the orphans of John and Robert Powell, according to law.

JAMES POWELL, Executor of
John Powell, who was Executor
of Mary Wynn, dec.

MATTHEW DAVIS, Executor
of Robert Powell, dec.

April 11, 1797.

(cc 3p.)

NOTICE.

ALL persons having claims against the estates of Edward and Robert Powell, dec. of Greenville county, are requested to bring them in by the twenty-fifth of December next, as I intend to close the business by that time; and all those that do not bring in their accounts by that time, I shall ever plead it in bar, and look upon myself discharged from the payment of any demand that may come thereafter, against either of the said estates.

MATT. DAVIS, Executor of
Edward & Robert Powell.

Greenville, April 11, 1797.

(cc 3p.)